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| In re Patent Application of   | ) |                            |
| Mattias Berglund et al.   | ) | Group Art Unit: 3722       |
| Application No.: 09/878,240   | ) | Examiner: Daniel W. Howell |
| Filed: June 12, 2001  | ) | Confirmation No.: 3796     |
| For: TWO-PIECE ROTARY METAL-<br>CUTTING TOOL AND METHOD FOR<br>INTERCONNECTING THE PIECES | ) |                            |

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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF REISSUE

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Sir:

We, Mattias BERGLUND, Fredrick LUNDBERG, and Ingela ÅRBRINK (formerly Ingela SVENSSON), hereby state as follows:

1. We are citizens of Sweden, having the following residence and post office address: Sofiedalsvägen 11 B 824 34 Hudiksvall, Sweden; Ringvägen 17 703 42, Örebro Sweden; and Hejdegatan 54 582 43, Linköping, Sweden; respectively.
2. We believe that we are the original, first inventors of the invention described and claimed in the above-identified Reissue Application.
3. We have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification and the claims of the Reissue Application and its accompanying Preliminary Amendment.
4. We hereby claim the benefit of foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 with respect to Swedish Patent Application No. 9603325, filed on September 13, 1996.
5. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that we are aware of which is material to the examination of this Reissue Application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).
6. We believe U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673 to be wholly or partially inoperative or invalid by virtue of claiming more or less than the patentee had the right to claim in the patent.

7. First, that an error arose due to the fact that U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673 issued with claims 7 and 9 being duplicative of claim 5.

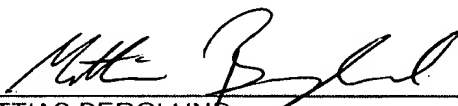
8. Second, that subsequent to the issuance of U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673, Applicants were made aware of German patent publication No. 94340 and other prior art, resulting in at least one of the claims in U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673 being broader than Applicants had the right to claim. Specifically and with respect to original claim 11, German patent publication No. 94340 includes Figures 1, 4 and 6 which include features that render original claim 11 invalid.

9. Third, that an error arose due to the fact that, subsequent to the issuance of U.S. Patent No. 5,971,673, Applicants appreciated that they claimed less than they were entitled to claim. Specifically, Applicants' original claims do not extend to the full range of features and combinations of features to which the Applicants were entitled.

10. All errors being corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the undersigned.

11. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

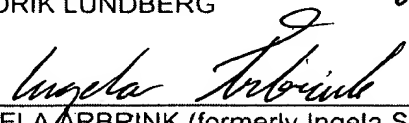
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